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before they conclude —

The Sum effort is being
made in the other cities
Chicago has sent $100.000
Cincinnati has sent 300.000
New York is yet to speak —
but in Philadelphia & many
smaller cities there will be
a great deal done in this be-
half — but this is only one
branch of the Cause — while
the Fair for the Sanitary com-
mission is progress — Boston men
were pouring out money for
the Freedmen on the banks
of the Mississippi — & other
localities where the work has
opened on the principles of

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President's proclamation
is the most liberal measure
I saw $7000 on wedding report
given in sums of from $400 to
$25. ——— No man here now
counts his fortune his own.
I do not say that there
is not the usual effort on
the part of men selfish or dis-
honest to profit by an abnor-
mal condition of things — but
I think there is far less of
this than we should naturally
look for — I have not
yet made wide observations
but I am much impressed
by the singular strength
& swiftness — the comprehension
of the situation — & the

enlightened patriotism. Thus I see here among people of all ages & sexes. classes & conditions. —— All our news from the scenes of action is encouraging — I am very glad here at home just now the cold weather all around us — the fields & plains too covered with snow & our county roads quite impossible — we spend much of our time in knitting thick warm socks for the Soldiers & it has been a great satisfaction to me to put them into their own hands & hear from their own mouths sometimes their ideas — & their experiences — Some of them are our own Weymouth Boys who are marching away from their homes in the dear old Bay State

yesterday it was a veteran who had been in all the Battles of the Army of the potomac which was most interesting was that he was a native of Raleigh S.C. - had an Charleston he was a good Union man & perfectly well informed on the whole Subject - he told me many curious things respecting our Southern brethren - & as I expected said that there is a large Union force in the South that can only appear when there is a Northern Army in presence & so posted as to protect them. -

I have left to the last what I intended to have first - now how sorry I was that you were unable to meet me at Liverpool - as I was almost sure you would

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we were whirled by the station
where I was to have my
Hack - & I did not dare to
do it though it looked so desolate
then I knew you could not
be there. I was very sorry
for myself then you were not
in Liverpool. But even sooner
for Mr Webb who was to have
come on & who was I know
deeply disappointed not to see
you - He was very kind to come
but I felt a remorse that he
should have undertaken the
disagreeable journey for me
under circumstances so depressing
I think we both felt that we
might have been more ... a
it was not so then I at least
had thought to tell him you
bye - It was one of my dreams

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that I should go home
for Ireland — he should
come to meet me at
Liverpool — & I should
have passed some days
with him at his
home on my way to London
& see something of a country
so interesting to all & so dear
to him ——— I think me
both thought of all this —
& was pondering over it —
I had left him at Liverpool
with you I should have — but
it is better — he kept me
in a state pouring tears to bear
the load & I thought of him
as I tossed about in the person
with no little compunction

I hope all is well in your
home & among your friends
& that you are now quite
free from anxiety

Pray remember me most
kindly to Mrs Cornthorn
& tell her that I am truly
grateful for her kind
note & good wishes which
I had no time to answer
at Bristol tell her that
all my convictions are
confirmed they could not
be strengthened by all I see
here -

I must close this in-
coherent letter - as I find the
post an hour earlier than

I thought
I have but very
little – but I know you
will excuse all my
short comings – & mention
this I am as it were fixed
up here & believe that bye
& bye I shall [illegible] as
as they say – & perhaps thrive
a little – Eden does send
a thousand thanks for all your
kind remembrances of us – your
Photograph was admirable of
course I sent it –

Yours Affectionately

E. Eden Mott

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